श्री एम. वेंकैया नायडु : आपको बधाई हो सर। ...(**व्यवधान**)...

श्री सभापति : क्या कहा?

SHRI RAM JETHMALANI: Sir, it is with my cooperation that it has happened.

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO STARRED QUESTIONS

Grant of additional pension

*104. SHRI ANIL SHARMA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have received any representations/appeals from the various Trade Unions or individuals during the last two years for reconsideration of granting additional pension at the rate of one per cent per year to those Central Government employees who have rendered more than 33 years of service, with effect from 1st January, 1996 as recommended by the Fifth Pay Commission;

(b) if so, the details thereof and whether Government propose to reconsider the matter in keeping the recognition of the services rendered by them; and

(c) if so, by when orders to this effect are likely to be issued?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRI JASWANT SINGH): (a) Yes, sir.

(b) The representations have urged acceptance of the relevant recommendation made by Fifth Central Pay Commission. The matter was considered in the National Council of the Joint Consultative Machinery and it has been decided not to accept this proposal.

(c) Does not arise.

Cases pending in Debt Recovery Tribunals

*112. SHRI AMAR SINGH: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the total number of Debt Recovery Tribunals which are in existence at present;

(b) what is the number of cases decided by these Tribunals upto 30 September, 2003 alongwith the amount of debt recovered; and

(c) what is the number of cases which are still pending in these Tribunals?